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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re the Application of: **SAITO, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 3729

Serial No.: 09/621,138

Examiner: **TUGBBANG, Anthony D.**

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**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 3485**

For: **GROMMET WATER-PROOFING METHOD AND  
WIRE-HARNESS LOOSENING JIG**

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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March 25, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliance with 37 CFR 1.192(c) dated March 12, 2004, please substitute the original and two copies of the attached Appeal Brief for those previously filed January 9, 2004.

The attached are believed to fully compliant with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c).

If there are any further issues, the Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' attorney, the undersigned, at (202) 659-2930 to clarify the same.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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